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1. Information Disclosure Statement;
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant submits this Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98 in the above-identified application for consideration by the Patent Office.

A listing of the cited documents is enclosed. This application was filed after June 30, 2003, and copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications are not required and are not enclosed. Further, the foreign reference listed was filed in this application's parent case (SN 09/938,703).

Applicant does not intend to represent that any of the documents submitted herein are material prior art to this invention or that the list represents an exhaustive search of documents related to this invention.

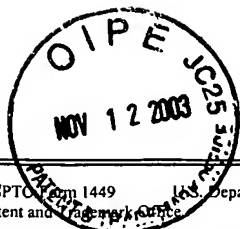
Applicant respectfully requests that the documents submitted herein be considered and made of record in this application.

Pursuant to CFR § 1.97(b)(3), because this Statement is being submitted before the first Office Action on the merits, no fee is required.

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	1	5,928,881	7/27/99	Barnette, et al.	435	7.21	7/11/97
	2	6,025,154	7/15/00	Li, et al.	435	69.1	6/6/95
	3	6,265,184 B1	7/24/01	Gray, et al.	435	69.1	12/20/95
	4	6,268,477 B1	7/31/01	Gray, et al.	530	350	6/7/96

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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							YES	NO
	5	96/39437	12/12/96	PCT	C07K	14/705	x	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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